## UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT DISTRICT OF NEW JERSEY

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA : Criminal No. 20-1506 (DEA)

: CONTINUANCE ORDER

MARNELL JOHNSON

v.

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This matter having come before the Court on the joint application of Craig Carpenito, United States Attorney for the District of New Jersey (by Christopher Matthews, Special Assistant U.S. Attorney), and defendant Marnell Johnson (by Robert Haney, Esq.) for an order granting a continuance of the proceedings in the above-captioned matter from the date of this order through January 31, 2021, and the defendant being aware that he has the right to have the matter submitted to a grand jury within 30 days of the date of his arrest pursuant to Title 18 of the United States Code, Section 3161(b), and the defendant through his attorney having consented to the continuance, and two prior continuances having been granted by the Court; and for good and sufficient cause shown,

IT IS THE FINDING OF THIS COURT that this action should be continued for the following reasons:

(1) Plea negotiations have commenced and the parties would like additional time to continue negotiating a plea agreement, which would render a trial of this matter unnecessary;

- (2) The defendant requires time to review discovery, and prepare and file appropriate motions; and
- (3) Pursuant to Title 18, United States Code, Section 3161(h)(7), the ends of justice served by granting the continuance outweigh the best interest of the public and the defendant in a speedy trial.

IT IS, therefore, on this 28th day of October, 2020,

ORDERED that this action be, and it hereby is, continued through January 31, 2021; and it is further

ORDERED that the period from the date this Order is signed through January 31, 2021, shall be excludable in computing time under the Speedy Trial Act of 1974.

s/Douglas E. Arpert
HON. DOUGLAS E. ARPERT

United States Magistrate Judge

Form and entry consented to:

Robert Haney, Esq.

Counsel for Defendant

Christopher Matthews

Special Assistant U.S. Attorney